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4 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
5 **EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**  
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7 JOHN WESLEY WILLIAMS,

8 Plaintiff,

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10 v.

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12 BEER, et al.,

13 Defendant(s).  
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Case No. 1:21-cv-00155-NONE-EPG (PC)

**ORDER REQUIRING STATEMENTS  
FROM PARTIES REGARDING  
SCHEDULE AND DISCOVERY**

**DUE DATE: SEPTEMBER 28, 2021**

15 The Court has screened Plaintiff's complaint and has ordered the case to proceed. Before  
16 scheduling this case, the Court will require each party to submit a statement regarding the  
17 schedule and discovery matters.

18 As Defendants' responsive pleading is currently due on or before September 21, 2021  
19 (ECF No. 27), the statements regarding the schedule and discovery shall be filed on or before  
20 September 28, 2021. They should be filed with the Court, titled "SCHEDULING AND  
21 DISCOVERY STATEMENT," and include the name of the party filing the statement. They shall  
22 address all of the following issues:

- 23 i. A brief summary of the parties' claims and/or defenses.  
24 ii. The name and, if known, the address and telephone number of each witness,  
25 besides expert witnesses, the party may call at trial.  
26 iii. A description by category and location of all documents the party may use at  
27 trial.  
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iv. Whether any third parties, other than Plaintiff's institution of confinement, are likely to have relevant documents.

v. Whether the party intends to use expert witnesses.

vi. If a settlement conference has not occurred, when the party will be prepared to participate in a settlement conference.

Defendant(s)' Scheduling and Discovery Statement shall also address all of the following issues:

vii. Whether a third party subpoena directed at Plaintiff's institution of confinement will be necessary to obtain relevant documents.

viii. Whether Defendant(s) intend to challenge the issue of exhaustion and, if so, when Defendant(s) will be ready to file a motion for summary judgment regarding the issue of exhaustion.

ix. Whether witness statements and/or evidence were generated from investigation(s) related to the event(s) at issue in the complaint, such as an investigation stemming from the processing of Plaintiff's grievance(s).<sup>1</sup>

x. Whether there are any video recordings or photographs related to the incident(s) at issue in the complaint, including video recordings and photographs of Plaintiff taken following the incident(s).

Finally, any party may also include any information that the party believes would assist in discovery and/or scheduling the case.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: August 10, 2021

/s/ Eric P. Grogan  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

<sup>1</sup> See *Woodford v. Ngo*, 548 U.S. 81, 94-95 (2006) ("[P]roper exhaustion improves the quality of those prisoner suits that are eventually filed because proper exhaustion often results in the creation of an administrative record that is helpful to the court. When a grievance is filed shortly after the event giving rise to the grievance, witnesses can be identified and questioned while memories are still fresh, and evidence can be gathered and preserved.").